ILED Case 1:04-cv-00001 Document 117 Filed 09/30/2005 Page 1 SEP 3 0 2005 1 For The Northern Mariana Islands 2 (Deputy Clerk) IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 3 FOR THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS 4 YU SUK CHUNG, 5 Plaintiff, Case No. CV-04-0001-ARM 6 v. 7 ORDER STRIKING MOTION FOR WORLD CORPORATION, a CNMI PARTIAL SUMMARY JUDGMENT 8 corporation, 9 Defendant. 10 This matter is before the Court on its own motion. Reviewing the record of this case, the Court 11 notes that a Case Management Scheduling Order ("CMSO") was issued on March 26, 2004. The 12 CSMO stated that dispositive motions must be heard by September 9, 2004. On October 1, 2004, the 13 CSMO was amended to extend the deadline for hearing dispositive motions to March 24, 2005. On 14 February 14, 2005, the parties stipulated and the Court amended the CSMO to extend the dispositive 15 motion hearing deadline to May 5, 2005. Finally, on April 18, 2005, the parties stipulated to an 16 extension and the Court ordered the dispositive motion hearing deadline extended to May 12, 2005. 17 No further extensions were granted. On September 29, 2005, defendant World Corporation filed a 18 motion for partial summary judgment (Doc. #115). 19 The purpose of the CSMO is to impose order, efficiency and fairness to the judicial process. 20 Scheduling the deadline for dispositive motions well before a trial is meant to allow the parties ample 21 time to concentrate on trial preparation while avoiding the distraction of responding to a dispositive 22 motion. Filing a motion for summary judgment that will be heard four days before trial not only 23 violates the CSMO, see LR 16.2CJe., it is unfair to the opposing party. For these reasons, the Court 24 will not hear defendant's motion for partial summary judgment and orders it stricken from the record. 25

SO ORDERED this day of September, 2005

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Chief Judge, United States District Court

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